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Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2004 be extended three (2) months from June 8, 2004 to August 8, 2004, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$420.00 for a two (2) month extension of time for a large entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, other than those provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The USPTO is hereby authorized to charge the \$420.00 extension of time fee to Arnold and Porter LLP deposit account 50-2387 referencing matter number 13587.286.

Respectfully submitted,

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